

# KEEPING CT KIDS HEALTHY

News from the Connecticut Vaccine Program



Department of Public Health Immunization Program

January 2013

## CVP Enrollment (1/2/13)

Total Enrollments:	693
New Enrollees:	70
Re-enrollees	623

## New Enrollees

Pediatrics:	19
Family Medicine	24
School Clinic/SBHC	7
Urgent Care	4
OB/GYN	2
Asthma/Pulmonary	5
Allergy	2
Local Health	3
Hospitals	2
Internal Medicine	2

The Connecticut Vaccine Program ensures all children in the state receive the vaccinations they need to stay healthy.

Public Act 12-1 created the program, which requires health care providers who administer pediatric vaccines to obtain the vaccines through the CVP.

For more information about the program, visit [www.ct.gov/dph/cvp](http://www.ct.gov/dph/cvp)

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## ***A Message from Dr. Jewel Mullen Commissioner, Connecticut Department of Public Health***

I am pleased to announce the Connecticut Vaccine Program, which went into effect on January 1, 2013. Providers from across the state are registered and ready to vaccinate children with 14 of the 16 vaccines recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.



By adding three lifesaving immunizations to those available to Connecticut children, this program will improve access to important immunizations so that Connecticut children can be vaccinated on time.

To implement this program, DPH Immunizations Program staff met with providers and provider groups on numerous occasions over the course of the past several months. I also met several times with representatives from the Connecticut Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. The feedback and insight we received from these providers was valuable, and helped facilitate a smooth transition to this new program.

DPH remains committed to working with providers as the program moves forward. We welcome your feedback and ideas to make it even better. Please email or call us with your suggestions, comments and questions. Every child has the right to be fully immunized, and this expanded program moves us closer to realizing that goal. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to ensuring that all Connecticut children are protected from vaccine-preventable diseases.

## ***New On-line Childhood Vaccine Resources for Parents, Providers***

The Connecticut Vaccine Program recently launched a new website for parents and providers. The site, [www.ct.gov/dph/cvp](http://www.ct.gov/dph/cvp), includes information about the CVP, how it works, and childhood vaccines covered by the program.

Information for providers including enrollment forms, patient eligibility criteria, and communication memos from the CVP can be found on the CVP Provider Page. The CVP Parent Page provides information just for parents including how vaccines work, where to get their child vaccinated, and when they should get their child vaccinated.

Please visit the site, share it with parents, and let us know your suggestions for future updates to the site.